

Total accumulated amount in Sugar Development Fund

†2071. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total accumulated amount in Sugar Development Fund prior to current financial year and what has been the State-wise contribution during the last year;

(b) what are the details of contribution made by Government as well as private mills towards various items during the last three years;

(c) whether Government are aware of achievements made by Government and non-Government Organisations for the development of technology for sugarcane and sugar; whether their efforts are providing any guidance for the development of sugarcane and sugar in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof; if not, what steps have been taken by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD): (a) As on 31.3.2000 the closing balance in the Sugar Development Fund was Rs. 975.23 crores (provisional). The position of State-wise collection of Cess on sugar during the year 1999-2000 is indicated in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(b) Details in terms of share of Private and Cooperative / Public Sector Sugar mills towards Cess is not maintained Centrally by Government.

(c) and (d) Under Rule 18(1) of the Sugar Development Fund Rules, 1983 the Central Government sanctions grants-in-aid to established Institutions, connected with the Sugar Industry for carrying out research aimed at promotion and development of any aspect of sugar industry. During the period from 1988-89 to 1999-2000 a total of Rs. 34.11 crores has been sanctioned to 7 organisations / institutions for undertaking R&D work in various aspects of sugar

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industry. An amount of Rs. 19.62 crores has been disbursed to these organisations/institutions during the same period. As the Research & Development Projects funded from the Sugar Development Fund are generally related to the felt need for the development of sugarcane and sugar, these Projects have provided the necessary guidance in this regard.

Statement

State wise collection of cess on sugar during the year 1999-2000.

Sl. No.	Name of State	Amount (Rs.)
1.	Maharashtra	661756772
2.	Gujarat	135426475
3.	Karnataka	127813494
4.	Uttar Pradesh	520317809
5.	Orissa	7977389
6.	Chandigarh	46701830
7.	Andhra Pradesh	143980362
8.	Tamil Nadu	196835291
9.	Bihar	38715156
10.	Meghalaya	692306
11.	Kerala	760400
12.	Madhya Pradesh	11608251
13.	Rajasthan	3048401
14.	Goa	2505118
15.	West Bengal	66628
TOTAL:		1898205682